

CASSINGTON & WORTON NEWS

News and views from the parish of Cassington and Worton

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Have your say on the new Garden Village

Residents, businesses and organisations are being offered the chance to have their say on a proposed garden village set to be built to the north of the A40 near Eynsham.

A consultation has been launched focusing on key issues such as transport, housing, jobs and the environment which will form part of the Oxfordshire Cotswolds Garden Village Area Action Plan.

The proposals were initially discussed last summer as part of the Local Plan examination. The Planning Inspector has since informed the Council that, subject to some further changes, the Local Plan is likely to be approved. The Garden Village Area Action Plan is the next step in the process.

Cllr Jeff Haine, Cabinet Member for Housing and Development, said: "The creation of a new garden village is a first for West Oxfordshire and we want to hear as many views as possible on this important development.

"This initial consultation will help shape key opportunities for the site as well as tackling potential issues at a very early stage."

The consultation will run for six weeks from

22 June until 3 August and will be taken into account as the proposals are worked up in more detail ahead of further consultation in the autumn.

As part of the process, council officers will be on hand to answer questions and provide further information at the following exhibitions in Eynsham:

Thursday 28 June 2 - 8pm

at St. Leonard's Church Hall, OX29 4HF

Monday 9 July 2 - 8pm

at St. Leonard's Church Hall, OX29 4HF

To access the consultation material and for further information on how to respond, see

www.westoxon.gov.uk/gardenvillage

Moving forward - key dates

Initial 'issues' type consultation – 22 June 2018 - 3 August 2018

'Preferred option' type consultation – September 2018

Formal consultation on submission draft AAP – January 2019

Submission for examination – April 2019

Examination – June 2019

Adoption – October 2019

Oxfordshire Cotswolds Garden Village

A key element of the West Oxfordshire Local Plan 2031 is the establishment of a new garden village to the north of the A40 near Eynsham.

The new garden village will make a major contribution towards providing much-needed homes and jobs in a high quality living environment. It will also unlock funds to improve infrastructure and boost the case for improvements to local transport links, including upgrades to the A40.

It will be a new standalone settlement, self-contained with its own village facilities, such as schools, community resources and employment opportunities, whilst taking proper account of environmental considerations and planned infrastructure improvements.

The initial garden village proposals set out in the Local

Plan include a new science business park which will give local people an alternative to driving to work in Oxford. In addition, the nearby Hanborough railway station together with a new Park and Ride facility to the north of Eynsham (expected to be open by 2020) will give people an alternative to using their cars.

Area Action Plan

Working closely with a range of stakeholders - local residents, parishes, land owners, developers and specialists in environment and heritage protection - the WODC are preparing an 'Area Action Plan' (AAP) for the garden village. This will set out how the new development will be taken forward, what it will look like and how it will function.

The garden village is based on a 'working assumption' of around **2,200 new homes** although more detailed planning is needed to determine the most appropriate number and type of homes that should be built.

Contributions should be provided by 20th of the month. Email submissions (in the body or as a Word attachment) to: cawneditor@gmail.com. Photographs should be supplied as separate attachments, not placed in the Word file. Typed or clearly handwritten submissions may be posted to: Kevin Burroughs, 5 Hollow Furlong, Cassington, OX29 4ET. We look forward to hearing from you.

welcome

Kevin's CAWNer

I continue to be challenged both in business and observing village life by the battle between intentions and actions. It has been suggested that those in leadership feel they are achieving when they talk of intentions where as those not in authority measure the effectiveness of those in leadership by their actions. Am I, are you a talker, a dreamer, a stirrer without the follow through, the action? Here's the thoughts of other folk:

“Good intentions are useless until they are expressed in appropriate action!” (Napoleon Hill); “Good intentions are not enough; commitment and sacrifice are necessary.” (Laurence Boldt); “Good intentions are simply not enough. Our character is defined and our lives are determined not by what we want, say or think, but by what we do.” (Michael Josephson); “A good intention feeds no one.” (Bobby Darnell); “Intentions, whether good or bad, that don't reflect the words and actions are only meant to fulfil personal goals.” (Ashish Patel); “Intentions do not insulate us from the consequences of our actions.” (Jon D Harrison); “Good intentions might sound nice, but it's positive actions that matter.” (Tim Fargo); “Intentions are nice, but ultimately intentions don't really matter because they only exist inside you.” (Kelly Williams Brown)

Till next month - happy reading.

Kevin

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BIKE NIGHT Monday 25th June

The Committee organising the event this year would like to thank all involved for their support and efforts with this year's event. A fuller report back will appear in the August edition as the event happened after the July CAWN went to print! Thank you one and all.

Cassington Bike Night Committee



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The 39 Steps gets the old ticker pumping

London, 1935, and Richard Hannay is 'tired of life'. And so began Still Dreaming's fabulously funny performance of John Buchan's classic spy thriller. Hannay, brilliantly played by Paul Fletcher, has his life kick-started by the arrival of Annabella Schmidt followed by her equally swift and dramatic death. Hannay embarks on a heroic quest to uncover the truth about the 39 Steps, clear his name of a murder he didn't commit, and ultimately save the country. As characters came and went, some dying, some falling (in love), the frenetic pace, high drama and comedic scenes galloped on through an ingenious revolving door. Through frantic hat-swapping, women's underwear sellers, random kilted-characters, audience-directing signs, human sheep and an improvised chair car the play swept to a gripping finale. In the end good overcame evil, love overcame hate and we, the audience, left with huge smiles on our faces.

Congratulations to the amazing cast and crew for delivering such an accomplished, entertaining and uplifting play.

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Lionel Bolton

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What will you do on 15th July?

Some decisions are hard.

As you may know Sunday 15th July is the date of the final of The World Cup but also men's finals day at Wimbledon. Which do you watch? (If you are not a sports fan then I must apologise as this dilemma might seem trivial!)

However, the Tennis should start at 1.00pm and the Football 4.00pm so it might be possible to watch men's final and the world cup live. You could of course watch one and record the other (or use "BBC IPlayer" or "TVCatchup" etc to view one later).

With today's technology we get a second chance to view, and more than that, we get 3rd, 4th or more chances. There is no need to miss out – unless you choose to.

Jane and I use "BBC IPlayer" a lot but there is a catch – programmes are only available for a limited time. So it is possible to miss out, if you leave things too late.

It can be like that with spiritual choices. One thing

that can focus your mind on spiritual things is a funeral, particularly as you get older and close friends and relative move on. The realisation of our own mortality can come sharply into focus as those of our own age (or younger) die.

Other major world religions profess a need for us to work our way to salvation. Only the Christian faith professes a "second chance" (and even a 3rd or 4th chance) by God's grace, through Christ's sacrifice. But, because we are mortal there is a time limit, a decision has to be made.

Some choices can seem hard and stressful but in Chapter 11 verse 28 of Matthew's Gospel Jesus is recorded as inviting all to choose him:

*"Come to me,
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(Page 13 in your Jubilee New Testament)

Revd Roger Aston

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I hope as many folk as possible will read this Ramblings, you will then see the problem that the Parish Council has in dealing with Thames Water Authority. We at the Mill have a big problem that they have caused us.

When they were in charge of the rivers, Thames Water Authority were going to alter the flows on the Mill ponds and to put a water flow recorder in. They got the front mill pond done first – the flow was done on the wrong side, which I pointed out at the time. They said that was how the architect did it... that pond has silted up.

The back pond, I was not sure if this was right. We found out the next winter – it washed a hole in the far bank and flooded all the meadows. They piled the bank with steel, back filled. The next winter it bounced off the piles and washed a hole our side – within 15 feet of the Mill building. They tried to make me cure it. I had a go at the top man, who sent someone to see. He was walking round with a clipboard, so I went and said 'What are you up to?'. He said it was in answer to my letter and that I was right. They came and put 5 piles in, only to return and put 6 more in. They put 50 tons of crushed stone in behind all this. We now have a Mill pond full of rubbish with trees 12 inches across growing out of it instead of a nice clear pond. The piles

are leaking now.

I will say the pipeline did earn me some money. I had to tow the artics backward, 6 one at a time loaded with pipes up the lane to the top of the hill. The crane took them off.

Now the problem is – who will put it all right? Thames Water, as far as I can see, has been taken over by an Australian bank who seem to have stripped all the assets. Where you go for help I don't know. Sorry Della Thompson I am so negative.

I know it took a long time to get money from them for putting the Alms Houses right.

I keep seeing all the moans about road repairs, not a word about river maintenance.

Here is another problem that will flood many houses if we get a very wet season. Water by-passes won't cure it. Dredging will. I know it will be costly, but if there is no room in the river for water, it will spread.

A bit different Ramblings. You will need to say a prayer to get out of trouble. The powers that be don't seem to understand... I expect they will get OBEs, etc. Sorry, I am being nasty.

Will close now. Peace be with you.

Roy Partridge

Oxford to France in an old banger!

Villagers James Clarke and James Thomas set off over the Spring Bank Holiday weekend from Blenheim Palace and headed to France in a £500 movie themed car raising money for charity.

Mr Clarke from The Red Corner Document Solutions in Eynsham said, 'he took part in the challenge in 2016 and found it positive, fun and incredibly rewarding, so decided to do it all again'

The event is in aid of an amazing and unique local charity called Special Effect based over in Cornbury Park who put fun and inclusion back into the lives of people with physical disabilities.

The aptly named Twin Town Challenge, is a fun charity car rally (not a race) that see's 100 cars costing less than £500 driving from Oxfordshire across to Le Touquet in Northern France (If you were not already aware the Town of Witney is Twinned with Le Touquet)

As soon as we arrived in Calais we were met with a series of fun points-based challenges. Over the course of the weekend our French compatriots threw a huge party with live music in the streets of Le Touquet and completed a number of challenges on and around the Abbeville Circuit

All the costs of the event were covered by sponsorships, and that means that every pound paid in entry fees as well our fundraising goes straight to the charity.

An extremely fun weekend had by all and of course we're already looking forward to the next one in 2020!

For more information on this amazing charity please do visit www.specialeffect.org.uk

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20 Years of Treasure : Open to March 2019

All of the objects in the exhibition have been found by local people and metal detectorists across Oxfordshire. They include Treasure finds and items that have been recorded by the Portable Antiquities Scheme. Objects range from clay pipes and pots to gold coin hoards and Elizabethan rings. Recent acquisitions such as a beautifully decorated pair of Roman callipers, a hoard of Roman pewter from Somerton and an Iron Age brooch are on public display.

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Oxfordshire Women & Democracy : 23 June – 23 September 2018

2018 is an important year of celebrations for the role of British women in democracy, as we mark 100 years of women's suffrage. In this display we highlight some courageous Oxfordshire women who have made their own important contributions to the democratic cause. Original objects and photographs include a loan from The People's Museum, Manchester of the Ascott Martyrs quilt and an original Suffragist banner from the Women's Library, London.

Friends Talks : 4 July 7.30pm : The stench of Victorian indecision

Tony Boughton, Historian & retired Engineer

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By Celia Clark, Coordinator

The final term of this academic year is coming to an end, and we've been delighted to welcome over 500 students to our weekly and Saturday courses. Many of these are from the local area which makes joining our classes a great way of meeting people, whilst relaxing and learning something new.

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There's another new face in Community Education too: Cleo Gonzales-Redman has taken over from Nathalie Chapple as our Administrator. We both look forward to speaking to many of you over the next few months as you book your courses.

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Observation

by Stephen Wright

To kick-off the last thirty days, towards the end of May we celebrated my house mate Josh's birthday by going to the New Forest Water Park, which was a lot of fun considering the high number of near-death experiences I have had in water. This was not one of them, because when we weren't gracelessly stumbling our way through the obstacle course (being James Bond is a lot harder than it looks), we were floating effortlessly in our life jackets. I had never worn a life jacket before, and I discovered that is incredibly relaxing to be wearing one in the water, not having to put any effort into swimming at all, and so I proclaimed I would wear one every time I go swimming in the future, no matter how safe the pool might be.

Less relaxing was when my childhood club, Liverpool, were in the Champions League final for the first time in over decade. My friend Chloe rudely chose to have her birthday on the same day. She wanted a few of us to go to Pizza Express at 6:45pm. The game started at 7:45pm so you can see the problem I had here. I already felt ill-mannered when I asked her if she could move it a bit earlier. So instead we had the dinner at 6pm, and I still missed the first ten minutes of the most important game in ten years! Anxiety was written all over my face in that restaurant as the waiters took an age to serve us. They must have thought I was deeply worried about the spice level of my upcoming pizza or something, but I have never eaten a pizza faster than that night. My friend Dan and I eventually made it to a packed, sweaty O'Neill's to watch the game only for it to be awful and Liverpool lose 3-1 anyway. At the very least I suppose it got me used to the feeling of disappointment which will prepare me for when England get knocked of the World Cup by Saudi Arabia (assuming they've made it through the group by the time this newsletter comes out).

The days after that Champions League final were exclusively spent bored out of my brain in the window-less Bournemouth University library, revising about Putin, China, and the United Nations while

practicing shorthand, because somehow these are things I need to know if I want to work in sports journalism. I don't know the reach of the Cassington & Worton Newsletter, but if that revision taught me anything it's that journalists who publicly speak out against Putin often end up dead, so I personally think he's a brilliant man with great morals.

With my second year of university out of the way and the end of term celebrations complete (drinking and eating too much while getting sunburned in a pub garden), the summer holidays beckoned. One highlight so far has been seeing Noel Gallagher at Blenheim Palace with my brother, even if the former Oasis frontman did keep showing off about how rich he is, claiming that his house is bigger than Blenheim's Palace and his garden bigger than its acres of fields and lakes.

Most recently, my family celebrated Father's Day with a trip to Tewkesbury. After having a very British lunch at a fish and chip restaurant, we wandered aimlessly around the Cotswolds, going in circles on the road for a number of reasons. One, dad didn't know how to get to where we wanted to go. Two, mum couldn't read the map because she didn't have her glasses. Three, Dan couldn't assist because his phone didn't have signal. Four, this was one of the few areas of the country my granddad didn't know off the top of his head. Five, I was too tired to be bothered, probably because my body woke me up at 3am to tell me I was hungry the night prior. Panic began to set in when granddad needed a wee, but nevertheless, one way or another we did make it to Winchcombe Station in Greet which was the intended destination to admire the old trains.

By next month's issue of CAWN, I will have attended the Isle of Wight Festival for the university magazine, so watch this space to see if I perilously dealt with interviewing the easily-irritated Liam Gallagher.

Together we're stronger than the storms

Christian Aid Week

Thank you

Hurricane season is here. Will you #StandTogether with us to help build secure homes for the people of Haiti? As hurricane season begins, thousands of displaced Haitians could be in grave danger. This fear is very real for many Haitians, who lost everything when Hurricane Matthew struck. This Christian Aid Week, we're asking everyone to #StandTogether and help families to weather future storms.

Many thanks to everyone in the village who gave so generously and to our loyal team of collectors. This year Cassington raised a total of £654.91 for Christian Aid in our annual house-to-house collection.

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Cassington W.I.

The June meeting was great fun as we had a talk from Jo Heir from Eynsham telling us how she started making jewellery.

From working in an administrative position ,to then doing an apprenticeship as a gilder using extremely fine sheets of gold and other metals e.g. Platinum and silver. She told us of the work she did with a colleague repairing the gilding in Robert Dyson's house near Bath and had photographs of the house and wonderful parkland surround it. She also told us she had made some jewellery for herself which she wore to a party. Someone from a magazine who was at the party admired it and told her she ought to make some for sale and the rest "is history ".

We then had our usual raffle and refreshments and the meeting closed.

Our next meeting will be on July 19th and the talk will be about Curiosities in the Ciltrens.

Maggie Nightingale
22.06.2018

CHURCH FLOWERS

If anyone, who feels they would like to do Church Flowers during the year can write their name on a list, which is now on the notice board in the Church Porch. A two week 'stint' is ideal as flowers and foliage tend to last in the cool Church. It would be very much appreciated if we could have more volunteers throughout the year.

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THE CHURCH is open for prayer during daylight hours at Abbey Street, Eynsham, OX29 4HR.

THE HALL (The Tolkien Room) is available for hire with a lovely outside area where people can sit or walk, and children can play. To book contact the Parish priest as above.

OUR BIG EVENT in JUNE is our part in the Eynsham Open Gardens Weekend on Saturday & Sunday 9/10th June. We lay on Teas in our Tolkien Room which usually means people (weather permitting!) sitting out on the Terrace with great views across towards Wytham Woods. From here, there is the Meadow to explore, partly on the Site of Eynsham Abbey and the big garden with lots of trees and shrubs to walk round with tinkling bells and water features. Children love it! Enter at any time between 2pm and 4pm on either day and the Programme you receive gains you entry to all the other Eynsham Gardens open on both days.

THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI on Sunday 3rd June is our annual celebration of the gift that Jesus gave us of himself in the consecrated bread and wine that we call Holy Communion. This will be extra special this year as we are looking forward to a visit from our Archbishop of Birmingham the Most Reverend Bernard Longley on this day, when he will confirm some of our young people.

31 May 2018

**Witney MP celebrates
care home's new look**

Residents were overjoyed to welcome Robert Courts MP into their Cassington based home recently to help celebrate the nursing home's refurbishment and new look.

The MP was treated to a tour of the extensively refurbished Churchfields Care Home, meeting staff and residents along the way, before officially opening the new courtyard garden.

Since taking over the home in March 2016, husband and wife owners, Jane and Gerry, have made a number of improvements in and around the residential care home. With work now complete, residents are enjoying refurbished bedrooms, a new dining room and extended sitting room, as well as 'homely' and comforting furnishings.

A scented courtyard completes the works, with an outdoor space that boasts beautiful views of the Oxfordshire countryside.

Robert Courts MP commented: "Honoured to open the extended, refurbished Churchfields Care Home in Cassington. So many glowing tributes from residents and staff alike; my deepest congratulations to the whole team for everything they have achieved and the wonderful, warm home created - but particularly to the owner, Jane Roberts, for her drive, vision and passion."

Jane Roberts added: "We were very proud to be able to welcome Robert Courts MP to Churchfields and we would like to thank him for his interest and the time he took to speak to our residents and staff."

"Our values are to deliver high quality care in a loving, homely and friendly environment, and the improvements we have made now mean we can demonstrate this to anyone who walks through our door."

For more information on Churchfields Care Home, and if you would like to take a tour of the home, please call 01865 881440 or visit www.churchfieldscarehome.co.uk

**#ActiveAte
school holidays this summer**

Today, 20th June, FareShare launched #ActiveAte, a nationwide campaign providing meals for children this summer. Up to 3 million children are at risk of being hungry in the school holidays.

To help combat this issue, FareShare's #ActiveAte programme is providing food to over 200 holiday projects this summer, which offer food and fun activities so that 20,000 children can enjoy their holidays on a full stomach, and return to school happy and healthy.

Please help us by donating today. Every £1 helps us provide four meals for children in need.

<http://fareshare.org.uk/get-involved/activeate-school-holidays/>

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OUR BESPOKE, FAMILY-RUN CARE HOMES

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We have a wide range of social events and activities throughout the year, as well as beautiful grounds for our residents to enjoy whenever they please.

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High Street, Bampton,
Oxfordshire, OX18 2JR

01993 850308

enquiries@rosebankcarehome.co.uk
www.rosebankcarehome.co.uk



CHURCHFIELDS CARE HOME

Pound Lane, Cassington,
Oxford, OX29 4BN

01865 881440

enquiries@churchfieldscarehome.co.uk
www.churchfieldscarehome.co.uk

ST PETER'S CHURCH CASSINGTON

*The Church of St. Peter's is here as a fellowship to worship God,
build people up in Christ and share his love with others*

The church is open daily as a place of quiet and escape from everyday pressures.

JULY 2018

**There is usually a service of Holy Communion on Tuesdays at 9.30am
Prayers at 12 noon on Thursdays.**

**The church bells will usually be rung between 9.30-10am prior to the 10am service
Practice night is on Thursdays between 7pm and 8pm.**

Sunday 1 July

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am St Peter's Together

Revd Duncan Fraser

A monthly celebration suitable for all ages, bringing together the church congregations, St Peter's School and the community.

Sunday 8 July

10am Holy Communion

Revd John Underwood

Sunday 15 July

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Revd Duncan Fraser

10am Morning Worship

Preacher: Joy Clough

11.30 Holy Communion at Churchfields

Sunday 22 July

10am Holy Communion

6pm Evening Prayer (BCP)

Revd Duncan Fraser

Tuesday 24 July

1.30pm St Peter's School End of Term

Revd Duncan Fraser

Sunday 29 July

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

Revd Chris Sugden

10am Morning Worship

Revd John Underwood

**The funeral and burial of the late
Megan Humphris took place in
St Peter's Church on
Wednesday 13th June 2018.**



TINIES & TODDLERS

10.00-11.30am (term-time) 9th, 16th July (last session this term)

A Parent/Carer & Toddler group in Cassington Village Hall

Toys, crafts, songs & refreshments for under-fives and their carers.

The group is being run by St Peter's Church in partnership with local parents

Contact details:

Vicar – Revd Duncan Fraser Tel: 07810324088 email: vicar@stleonardsandstpeters.church

Associate Curate – Revd Roger Aston Tel: 01865 880757 email: rogera52@aol.com

Children & Families Worker – Carmen Fraser Tel: 07867675594 email: cf@stleonardsandstpeters.church

Youth Worker: Ollie Shaw email: youth.stleonards@gmail.com blog: <http://stleonardsyouth.blogspot.co.uk>

web site www.stleonardsyouth.co.uk

Enquiries including weddings, baptisms and funerals:

Church Administrator: Jan Macdonald – Mon-Thurs 9am-1pm Tel: 01865 883325

email stleonards_stpeters@btconnect.com



Eynsham Churches

HOLIDAY CLUB 2018

30 July- 3 Aug 9am to 12 noon

Eynsham Primary School

For children age 5-11

(Foundation stage to year 6)

For more information:

Email eynshamhc@gmail.com

Games, Craft, Songs and Bible Stories

Parish Council News

June 2018

Horsemere Lane Closure

A meeting with residents, the Parish Council and OCC formulated a plan to close the lane. There are two elements, the legal document and the physical work to block the access to vehicles. It is hoped that following the legal documents finance can be arranged to carry out the physical work. More news next month.

Speed watch

Speed Watch continues.

War Memorial

The Parish Council have applied for a grant for the remedial work. It is hoped to have some news soon.

Benches on the Green.

The commemorative plaques are ready to put on the benches and work should commence through July in the installation of the benches.

Trees on the Green

A specialist tree surgeon is about to take out the dead wood to the trees on the Green.

Watermain flooding

The Parish Council have been in touch with Thames Water who have said they are formulating plans to protect the village from any further fractures of the main. One suggestion put forward is to put in a drainage ditch which would divert water away from the village and properties.

No Man's Land Event 15th 16th and 17th June

The Parish Council have been asked to respond to the event. If you have any comments, please send them to the clerk who will pass them on.

Fix My Street

Residents are reminded that blocked gullies, drains and potholes can be recorded on the OCC website at Fix My Street.

Blandford Flies

There have been many reports of people in the village being bitten by this fly. It apparently is seasonal and should stop at the end of June.

The Parish Council understand in some areas spraying of standing water in ditches has been carried out. It is hoped to investigate this to see whether next year we should consider this. Comments, via the clerk, from residents would be appreciated

Parish Land outside Moorcroft and to the side of Mill Lane.

Recent works by SGN resulted in damage to an area by Mill Lane which has been reinstated.

However, the edge to Mill Lane is being eroded and the Parish Council are looking at ways to protect this area. If you have any ideas, please email the clerk. The Parish Council will be looking to formulate a plan at the next Parish Council meeting.

N.B Clerk contact details

Email cassingtonclerk@gmail.com

Tel 01993 622750.

Parish Council meeting for July will be 5th July 2018 at 7.30pm at the Village hall

Hugh Thomas
Chairman, Cassington Parish Council


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WORTONPARK.CO.UK

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Cassington, then and now

A Cassington resident has suggested a new feature for CAWN. Many readers will be familiar with the Cassington Then and Now page on Facebook but for those who don't have access we thought it would be nice to share some old village scenes in the newsletter.

The Red Lion and associated houses from back in the day. No idea about the date...any suggestions?

If you have an old photo and a story you would like to share, please send it to the editor at the usual address



*Hatha Yoga for balance, strength & flexibility
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*Private one to one or small group sessions
are available too*

You can book your space with Didem, call or text 07919 981 045 or email d@vergers.com or why not drop in
£10 per class Please bring your own mat



**JULY 1ST
CANADA DAY**

Robert Courts MP - update

I was so pleased to officially open the newly-refurbished facilities at Churchfields Care Home in Cassington. I greatly enjoyed speaking to the residents and staff – Churchfields is home to an incredibly caring and supportive community, and it was fantastic to be part of this celebration.

Recently, communities across West Oxfordshire came together to raise awareness about those living with dementia as part of the Alzheimer's Society's National Dementia Action Week. It was wonderful to see the huge number and range of activities taking place right across the constituency, all with the aim

of breaking down the stigma around dementia and showing support for those whose lives are affected by dementia. I fully support this initiative, as it encourages conversation about a subject we all too often avoid as a society. During this year's Action Week, I was trained as a Dementia Friends Champion, meaning I can now train others to understand how to help those living with dementia. A few small adjustments to our thoughts and actions can make a huge difference.

As ever, please do not hesitate to contact me at
robert@robertcourts.co.uk.

Thank you everyone for supporting Cassington Movies. We wish you all an enjoyable summer and we look forward to seeing you in the Autumn with a new selection of films

what's on?

VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS



For information, and to book the Village Hall, contact:

Kathryn Teal, 07964 726843 or email cassingtonvillagehall@gmail.com

Don't forget ... When you book the Village Hall you can make use of our wireless broadband connection – ask Kathryn for details when you make your booking

cassingtonvillagehall.org.uk

NEXT MOVIE NIGHT first Friday in October 2018

to be advised

Tickets £5 from Ruth 01865 883512. Bar and raffle.

Doors open at 7pm and the film starts at 7.30pm.

Village contact list

Allotments, Cassington.....	01993 882590
Bartholomew School, Eynsham.....	01865 881430
Church (to be advised), Cassington.....	01865 881323
Chemist, Eynsham	01865 881283
Dentist, Eynsham	01865 880047
Fire Station, Eynsham	01865 881337
Flooding, WODC	01993 861000
Gas Leaks	0800 111 999
Library, Eynsham	01865 880525
Medical Centre, Eynsham	01865 881206
Pest Control, WODC	01993 861060
Play Area Repairs, Parish Council, cassingtonclerk@gmail.com	
Red Lion, Cassington	01865 881371
Sports Pavilion bookings (Graham Mills), Cassington, cassingtonsport@millsclan.force9.co.uk	
St Peters School, Cassington	01865 880443
The Chequers	01865 882620
Waste Collection, WODC	01993 861020
Village Hall bookings	cassingtonvillagehall@gmail.com

Cassington, then and now

Interested to see how Cassington has evolved over the years? Or do you have any old photos of the village you wish to share? If so, search 'Cassington, then and now' on Facebook and feel free to join the group!



Sports & Social Club

The MUGA pitch is now fully operational and is being used regularly. If you know of any teams that would be interested in hiring the pitch, please do put them in touch with [Graham Mills](mailto:GrahamMills@cassingtonsport@millsclan.force9.co.uk) (cassingtonsport@millsclan.force9.co.uk). The tennis season has now come to a close and the nets have been taken down but the MUGA can be booked for football or hockey training by emailing Graham.

General hire prices are as follows:

Pavilion £10 per hour.

Adult grass football pitch and pavilion
£35 per game.

Cricket pitch and pavilion £50 per game.

Tennis court £10 per hour. (April to September)

MUGA £22 per hour .

We will keep you updated on our development plans but if you have any specific ideas, please email suzilewis42@gmail.com.

CAWN Advertising rates

Village events and fund-raising stuff is free. Simple local services, 'for sales' etc., are also free on the "noticeboard" page/section. However donations towards printing costs welcomed.

Suitable commercial businesses are invited to support our community by buying advertising space at the following rates:

1/8 page, £6 (£60 per year) (portrait)

1/4 page, £10 (£100 per year) (portrait)

1/2 page, £15 (£150 per year) (landscape)

Full page, £25 (£250 per year) (portrait)

Technical details for artwork are available on request.

All material included at the discretion of CAWN.

Any surplus will be passed to the Cassington Parochial Charities to support our community.

noticeboard

FOR LOCAL SERVICES, 'FOR SALE' OR SIMILAR NOTICES, PLEASE SEND COPY (BY EMAIL IDEALLY) TO THE USUAL ADDRESS. APPROPRIATE NOTICES ARE FREE, AND ARE PLACED AT OUR DISCRETION.

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service to
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residents that will take you to the
doctors' surgeries at Eynsham or
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Run by volunteers, this is available
by phoning

Sheila Nelson on 880740 or
Pat Vereker on 880693

Please give us as much notice as
possible

Unfortunately we are now unable
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For these please contact the patient
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Calling all Cassington mums, dads and carers

We would like to invite you to join our
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for Cassington mums' group and send a
request to join. It's a great way to meet
new people, keep up-to-date with what's
going on, and get involved in lots of fun
social stuff too – both with and without
the kids!

If anyone is new to the village and
would like a friendly chat to introduce
themselves and their families, feel free
to contact Vicky (07917 403976; vickyt@
pink-sky.co.uk) or Jess (07852187079;
lefevrejessica@yahoo.com).

PLASTIC FREE JULY



Will you accept the challenge?

Hugh Warwick's HedgeOx campaign aims to save spiny species

Naomi Herring @OxMailNaomiH

A RALLYING cry from Oxford's very own 'Mr Hedgehog' has gone out on behalf of the declining spiny species.

Hugh Warwick, also known as Hedgehog Hugh, recently launched his new HedgeOX campaign to save the popular prickly creatures.

The miniature mammal's numbers have plummeted across the UK in recent years as its hedgerow habitats have been lost but Mr Warwick hopes to reverse the trend in Oxfordshire with the help of 'hedgehog heroes' pledging to do their bit.

Mr Warwick, from East Oxford, said: "We know that urban hedgehog numbers are down by 30 per cent in the past 17 years, and that for rural hedgehogs it is even worse, with the population down by 50 to 75 per cent.

"Hedgehog Street has been helping urban hedgehogs and there it looks like the decline for them is levelling off, but rural hedgehogs present a whole new set of complications that we are now looking at more closely."

Ecologist and author Mr Warwick began working with hedgehogs more than 30 years ago including his efforts with the Hedgehog Street campaign – a conservation effort between the British Hedgehog Preservation Society (BHPS) and the People's Trust for Endangered Species.

HedgeOX will focus some of that work in the county in a bid to halt the increasing fragmentation of populations.

The campaign is being funded by both BHPS and The Felix Byam Shaw Foundation which was set up in memory of the North Oxford schoolboy.

Felix passed away in July 2014 after contracting meningitis, his family and friends have continued his legacy through the foundation supporting many local causes in honour of his love of nature – especially hedgehogs.

Mr Warwick said: "Oxford has been my home now for nearly 25 years now and the county has a wonderfully diverse set of potentially hedgehog-friendly habitats, yet the population has fallen as much here as anywhere else. I want to reverse that."

The campaign is calling for 'hedgehog heroes' to work with neighbours to make a 'hedgehog highway', cutting CD disk-sized holes in fences to allow hedgehogs to pass.

Farmers and gardeners are also being encouraged to plant more hedges and allow the ones already there the space to grow into a hedgehog habitat.

As part of HedgeOX Mr Warwick will also be running a Hedgehog Roadshow touring village halls, groups and clubs and teaching communities about how they can help.

The campaign was officially launched at Oxford University Natural History Museum on 12 June backed by poet Pam Ayers, from Stanford in the Vale, who read her latest work *The Last Hedgehog*.

Details at hedgeox.org

Dates for your diary

Unless shown, events are in the Village Hall

July 2018

- Sunday 1st A lazy Sunday Afternoon Red Lion Beer Festival
- Monday 2nd, 10 am - 12 noon Cassington Cafe
- Monday 2nd, 7:30pm Initial Panto meeting
- Thursday 5th, 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting
- Friday 6th, 7pm for 7:30pm No Cassington Movies
- Thursday 19th, 7:30pm Cassington WI

August 2018

- Thursday 2nd, 7:30pm Parish Council Meeting
- Friday 3rd, 7pm for 7:30pm No Cassington Movies
- Monday 6th, 10 am - 12 noon Cassington Cafe
- Thursday 16th, Cassington WI outing

Tickets for films and shows from:
Ruth Bakewell (01865 883512)

Some United Nations International Days

- 15 July World Youth Skills Day (A/RES/69/145)
- 18 July Nelson Mandela International Day (A/RES/64/13)
- 30 July International Day of Friendship (A/RES/65/275)
- 12 August International Youth Day (A/RES/54/120)
- 19 August World Humanitarian Day (A/RES/63/139)
- 21 August International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism (A/RES/72/165)
- 23 August International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Its Abolition [UNESCO] (29 C/Resolution 40)
- 29 August International Day against Nuclear Tests (A/RES/64/35)

A village tradition



(A raffle with a difference)

Did you know every Saturday evening in the Red lion for the past 20+ years a meat draw has taken place?

Call in anytime from 9pm to buy your tickets.

£1 a ticket, drawn at 11pm and you could win a breakfast pack, joint of meat or chops for your Sunday roast, supplied fresh from Bartlett's butchers in Kidlington. (At least 5 prizes)

All proceeds go to the upkeep of the playing field via sports and social.



what's on?

It's Panto Time!

Dear People of Cassington,

Recently it was the longest day of the year, so naturally our thoughts begin to turn to ... Christmas.

Yes, I'm afraid it's that time again... You've had three years free from humiliation and ridicule; it's time to pull on the tights and get back on that stage!

This year we will be heading off to Camelot to create the stuff of Arthurian Legends. Knights and damsels, dragons and wizards, we need you all. We may also need a pretty big round table!

We will be holding an initial Panto Meeting on **Monday 2nd July 7.30pm Cassington Village Hall**. Do come along for a glass of mead and a chat to let us know what depths you are prepared to sink to this time round.

If you are unable to attend, but would like to be involved, please email: dreamstudios@hotmail.co.uk

We look forward to seeing you all then.

Mandy



CASSINGTON CAFÉ
CASSINGTON VILLAGE HALL

Monday 4th June 2018
10am - 12 noon

CASSINGTON WI

Thursday 19 July 2018 - 7:30pm

Curiosities in the Chilterns

with Alan Copeland



The Cassington Kickabout - every Wednesday at 8pm at Cassington playing fields

Cassington Bookworms

We are reading

'Little Fires Everywhere' by Celeste Ng

in preparation for our next meeting

Monday 2nd July at 8pm.

All welcome.

Phone 880740 for venue

